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MEMORANDUM

Date

April 16, 2007

To

Hon. Ronald M. George
Justices of the Supreme Court
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Justices of the Courts of Appeal
Presiding Judges of the Superior Courts
Judges of the Superior Courts
Commissioners of the Superior Courts
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From

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Judicial Education and Research (CJER)
Administrative Office of the Courts

Subject

2007 CJER Education Committee
Application Process

Action Requested

Apply to Serve on an Education Committee

Deadline

June 30, 2007

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The Governing Committee of the Center for Judicial Education and Research (CJER) is seeking qualified individuals to serve on its education committees.

The application packet for 2007 has been posted to the California Courts Web site at <http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/jc/apply.htm>. It contains a list of the education committees with a one-page summary of each committee, describing the responsibilities and requirements of members, and an application form.

Background

The CJER Governing Committee is an advisory committee of the Judicial Council. The committee is supported by the Administrative Office of the Courts' Education Division/Center for Judicial Education and Research (CJER), which is considered to be the premier judicial branch education organization in the country. This reputation is a result of both the high level of involvement by judges, court executive officers, and court personnel and the expertise and commitment of Education Division/CJER staff. It is a pleasure to invite you to become involved as we continue this tradition of excellence and strive to make our processes, programs, and products even more effective.

CJER Education Committees

Each CJER education committee is responsible for developing curriculum designs for education in a specific subject or for a particular audience. Members work with staff and faculty to design curricula that are delivered through a variety of methods, including live programming, satellite broadcasts, online courses, and publications. Members are appointed by the CJER Governing Committee to serve three-year terms. Terms begin on November 1 and conclude on October 31, three years later.

Application and Appointment Process

To apply to serve on a CJER education committee, please submit an application along with your curriculum vitae or biography. If you decide to apply for more than one committee, we ask that you submit a separate application for each committee and indicate your preference for appointment (i.e., first choice, second choice, and so on) next to the committee name on the second page of the application. Please note that individuals may serve on only one education committee at a time.

The deadline for submitting applications for CJER education committees is June 30, 2007. You may submit your applications by fax or by mail. The application is available online at <http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/jc/apply.htm>.

We anticipate that the CJER Governing Committee will make appointments to its education committees in September 2007. Letters confirming the 2007 education committee appointments will be mailed in October for terms beginning November 1, 2007.

We hope you will consider applying for CJER education committees that hold an interest for you. If you are aware of other individuals who would be assets to particular committees, please encourage them to apply, as well.

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Special Note for Current Members of CJER Education Committees

If you are already a member of a CJER education committee, your current term expires in 2007 and you wish to continue on the committee and are eligible, please submit an application to indicate your interest in reappointment.

CJER will attain its education goals only with the support and contributions of the judiciary and court staff. The judicial branch contains a vast pool of talent, and we hope to fully tap that talent through the application process. If you have any questions or comments, please contact us.

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Enclosures

cc: Members of the CJER Governing Committee
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